

Brianna Bergen - Nursery Products mailing list, etc.

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Hello. I would like my name to remain on the mailing list for the Nursery Products Hawes Composting Facility. Also, below are my comments to the Water Quality Control Board on the Waste Discharge Requirements. Thank you.

To whom it may concern:

My name is Brendan Hughes and I would like to comment on the Tentative Waste Discharge Requirements for Nursery Products' Hawes Composting Facility in San Bernardino County. I do not concur with the requirements set by the CA Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region.

First, I believe this meeting should be set in Barstow, where the people that will be affected by this facility live. Locals should have an adequate chance to comment on this facility, and not all interested parties can travel to Victorville to comment. Also, the meeting should be delayed until March so that interested parties have more time to analyze the Tentative Requirements.

Additionally, the Lahontan Region Water Quality Control Board should require that, if the facility is built, it should be enclosed to prevent particulate matter from escaping from the facility by air. This particulate matter, which will include human feces laced with high concentrations of antibiotics, hormones, and endocrine disruptors, as well as various bacteria normally found in feces that can cause sickness and death, should not be allowed to escape onto surrounding lands and negatively affect water quality. An uncovered facility will release contaminants into the surrounding area's water which could severely impair the human water supply. Nursery Products can still make a profit with a covered facility, all the while ensuring the protection of the surrounding water supply and the human environment.

Thank you for your consideration.

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